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SUBJECT:IDF RETENTION NEGOTIATIONS, REQUEST FOR GUIDANCE

REFERENCE: USNATO 4211

1. WE APPROVE TEXT OF MILITARY COMMITTEE S ASSESSMENT OF THE STRATEGIC IMPORTANCE OF ICELAND. WE THINK IT BEST THAT US NOT PLAY TOO GREAT A ROLE IN SEPTEMBER 12 MEETING BEYOND PRESENTATION BY ADMIRAL COUSINS, SACLANT. YOU MAY EXPRESS HOPE THAT A CONSENSUS WILL BE FORMED SUPPORTING THE ASSESSMENT. YOU SHOULD UNDERLINE THAT THE UNITED STATES WILL CARRY ON THE NEGOTIATIONS WITH SERIOUS AND CONSTRUCTIVE INTENT, AND WE HOPE THAT A SOLUTION SATISFACTORY TO ALL CONCERNED CAN BE ARRIVED AT.

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2. WE THINK THAT LONG RUN US INTERESTS WILL BE SERVED BEST IF WE KEEP A RATHER LOW PROFILE WHEN THE NAC RESOLUTION IS DISCUSSED. WE WOULD PREFER A BRIEF AND RATHER FLAT ENDORSEMENT OF THE MC REPORT BY THE NAC SINCE WE HAVE ALREADY SEEN SOME EVIDENCE THAT THE MC REPORT MAY CARRY LESS WEIGHT WITH THE GOI THAN WE MIGHT WISH. IT WOULD PERHAPS BE USEFUL TO LEAVE THE COUNCIL IN A POSITION TO RE-ENTER THE ISSUE AT A LATER TIME (PERHAPS IN A RESOLUTION CALLING UPON BOTH PARTIES TO COME TO A SATISFACTORY CONCLUSION). WE URGE TRANSMITTAL OF THE REPORT WITH THE NAC ENDORSEMENT TO THE GOI BY THE SYG ASAP. RUSH

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